



Advocating for the human rights of older women
Défense des droits de la personne des femmes âgées

Introducing the Grandmothers Advocacy Network

The Grandmothers Advocacy Network (GRAN) is a non-partisan network of volunteers working together across Canada to advocate at local, national and international levels. We advocate to influence national and global policymakers.

Our vision is a world where the human rights of older women, children, youth, and gender-diverse persons are recognized and protected, so that they can achieve their full potential. Our passion for this vision is a deep concern for the well-being and human rights of grandmothers in sub-Saharan Africa and the children and youth in their care, as well as those of marginalized women in communities of the Global South. Local communities know what they need to build capacity. We seek to amplify the voices of women who provide leadership in their homes, communities, and beyond.

We follow a Human Rights Framework



Our actions take many forms:

We write to and meet with Members of Parliament, government Ministers and the Prime Minister and use social media to reach decision-makers and amplify social media campaigns of partners. We sign and circulate petitions and organize public education events. We sign and circulate petitions and organize public education events. We submit opinion pieces and letters to the editors of newspapers. We attend rallies and peaceful demonstrations and host and attend learning events, webinars, and conferences.



GRANs from BC speak with Minister of International Development

To learn more:

Visit our website: <https://grandmothersadvocacy.org>

You can follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/GrandmothersAdvocacy>

and on X (previously Twitter) <https://twitter.com/GRANadvocates>

Join us to make a difference!

We welcome all who share our passion for the human rights of older women, youth, children and gender diverse persons in sub-Saharan Africa and throughout the Global South. There are many opportunities, big and small, to get involved in ways that match your interests and background. Get in touch with us at info@grandmothersadvocacy.org or sign up at <https://grandmothersadvocacy.org/ways-get-involved> to receive our email notifications keeping you up-to-date with GRAN news, advocacy actions, and campaigns.



Ottawa-Gatineau GRANs call for fair and affordable access to medicines.

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